

CHAPTER XX.

have a light of some kind here," said Joyce.

"There is the lantern in the house. I shall run for it. Don't stir until I get back," I cried; and I ran out and climbed the side of the ravine, and got to Joyce's house as soon as I could. My haste and impetuosity frightened Miss Joyce, who called in terror:

"Is there anything wrong—not an accident I hope?"

"No, only want to examine a rock, and the place is dark. Give us the lantern quick, and some matches."

"Aisy! aisy! alanna!" she said.

"The rock won't run away!"

I took the lantern and matches and ran back. When we had lit the lantern, Norah suggested that we should be careful, as there might be some bad air about. Dick laughed at the idea.

"No foul air here, Norah; it was full of water a few hours ago," and, taking the lantern, he went into the narrow opening. We all followed, Norah clinging tightly to me. The cave widened as we entered, and we stood in a moderate-sized cavern, paved with smooth, yellowed and worn rough tools. Here and there on the walls were inscriptions in strange characters, formed by straight vertical lines something like the old telegraph signs, but placed differently.

"Ogham! one of the oldest and least known of writings," said Dick, when the light fell on them as he ran back.

At the far end of the cave was a sort of slab or bracket, formed of a part of the rock cavern out. Norah went towards it, and called us to her with a loud cry. We all rushed over, and Dick threw the light of the lantern over her, and then exclamations of wonder burst from our lips.

"Here, hand me, hold an ancient crown of strange form. It was composed of three pieces of flat gold joined all along one edge, like angle iron, and twisted delicately. The gold was white, and the curves border in the centre from which they were lined away to the ends and then curved into a sort of a loop, and the centre was set a great one, that shone with the yellow light of a topaz, but with a fire all its own."

Dick was the first to regain his composure, and, as usual, to speak:

"The Lost Crown of Gold—the crown that gave the hill its name, and was the genesis of the story of the Trickster and the Koro, the Snake-Monger, for, there is a scientific basis for the legend. Before this stream of its way out through the limestone, a forced this cavern, the waters were made upwards to the lake at the top of the hill, and so kept it supplied, but when its channel was cut here, a way opened by some convulsions of the earth, the red-tinged sander of the rocks, the lake fall away."

He stopped, and I went on:

"And so, ladies and gentlemen, the legend is true, that the Lost Crown would be discovered when the waters of the lake was dried again."

"Bogor! that's the name, anyhow," said the voice, and in the entrance "Well, and an'r, iv all the strange things what ev'r happened, this is the most strangest! Fairies isn't in this time, at all, at all!"

I told Andy something of what had happened, including the terrible deeds of Murdock and Moynahan, and let him off to tell the constable, and told him also of the two skeletons found beside the chest.

Andy was off like a rocket. So news as he had to tell would not come twice in a man's lifetime, and we make him famous through all the country-side. When he had come, he decided that we were wrong all that time, and he and I agreed to go back to the house, where we might be on hand to answer all queries regarding the terrible occurrences of the night. When we got outside the cave, he had ascended the ravine, I noticed the crown in Norah's hand, and he said none of the yellow gas had got in, and feared the latter had been lost, said he.

"Norah, dear! have you dropped the jewel from the crown?"

She held it up, startled, to see; then we all wondered again, for the jewel was still there, but with a yellow colour, and shone with a weight, something like some of the sapphires in the midst of the diamonds. It looked like some kind of uncut crystal, but none of us had seen anything like it.

We had hardly got back to the house when the result of Andy's mission can be manifested. Every soul in the country-side seemed to have seen King Callitron. There was a great babel of sounds, and every possible and impossible story, and theory, and conjecture was ventilated at the house, the voice of every one, male and female.

The head constable was one of the first to arrive, and came into the house, and he gave him all the required details of Murdock's and Moynahan's death, which he duly wrote down, then went off with Dick to go over the ground.

Presently there was a sudden stir amongst the crowd outside, the constable of which seemed to be continuing great as ever, and the number of people, despite the fact that a number of those present had followed Dick and the head constable in investigation of the scene of the trophies. The silence was as if no noise would have been under such circumstances, so I went to the door to see what was going on. In the porch stood Mr. By, who had just come out of the scene of the disaster. He came warmly by the hand, and loudly, so that all those around him heard:

"Mr. Severn, I'm real glad, thankful to see you this mornin'. Up to God, that he's over there, and that he's strengthened the arms of him and strengthened to hold ye up." Here he came to join us; and he took warmly by both hands, whilst the people cheered:

"My! but we're all proud to see you, and God has given you more through your own hands, both most through Him all the of ye, and those poor meek ones, their death so horribly sudden!"

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which coveted his neighbour's goods, and would seek to ruin him. And now behold his fate even as the fate of Ahab and Jezebel! He went without warning and without rites—and no man knows where his body lies. The fishes of the sea have preyed on him, even as the dogs on Jezebel." Here Joyce joined us, and he turned to him:

"And do you, Michael Joyce, take to heart the lesson of God's goodness! Ye thought when yer land and yer house was taken that a great wrong was done ye, and that God had deserted ye; and yet so inscrutable are His ways that these very things were the salvation of ye and all belonging to ye. For in his stead ye and yours would have been lost had that awful avalanche into the sea!"

And now the head constable returned with Dick, and the priest went off. I took the former aside and asked him if there would be any need for Nora to remain, as there were other witnesses to all that had occurred. He told me that there was not the slightest need. Then he went away after telling the people that we all had had a long spod of trouble and labour, and would want to be quiet and have some rest. And so, with a good feeling and kindness of heart which I have never seen lacking in this people, they melted away, and we all came within the house, and what the clock struck round the fire to discuss what should be done. Then and there we decided that the very next day Nora should start with her father, for the change of scene would do her good and take her mind off the terrible experiences of last night.

So that day we rested, and the next morning Anah and I, and the two next Nora and myself off to Galway, en route for London and Paris.

In the afternoon Nora and I strolled out together for one last look at the beautiful scene from our table-rock in the Cliff Fields. Close as we had been hitherto, there was a new bond between us, and when we were out of sight of prying eyes—on the spot where we had first told our loves, I told her of my idea of the new bond. She hung down her head, but drew closer to me as I told her how much more I valued my life since she had saved it for me—and how I should in all the two years that I should be free, be hard that every hour should be such as she would like me to have passed.

"Nora, dear," I said, "the bar you place on our seeing each other in such that long time will be hard to bear, but I shall know that I am enduring for your sake." She looked lovingly at me, but her cast eyes looked longingly into mine as she said:

"Arthur! dear Arthur, God knows I love you. I love you so well that what to come to you, if I can, in such a way that I may never do you discredit; and I am sure that when the two years are over, and I need, the will not be sorry that you have made this sacrifice for me. Dear, I shall ask you when we meet on our wedding morning if you are satisfied."

When it was time to go home we rose up, and—it might have been the evening was chilly—a cold feeling came over me, and I thought of the old days in the of the faithful Nora. And there in the Cliff Fields I kissed Nora Joyce for the last time.

The two years sped quickly enough although my not being able to see Nora at all was a great trial to me. Often and often I felt tempted to run beyond London, to go quietly and see my young wife where she was so bright even over a passing glimpse; but I felt that such would not be loyal to my dear girl. It was hard to be able to tell her, even now it was again, how I loved her, but it was being expressly arranged—and it was enough too—in such a manner as would pass as necessary, the censorship of the schoolmistress. "I must be," said Nora to me, "exactly as the other girls— and, of course, I must be subject to the same rules." And so it was that my letters had to be of a temperate warmth, which caused me now and again considerable pain.

And although there was not any what her schoolmistress would "love" in her letters, she always kept me posted in all her doings; and every letter it was borne in on that her heart and feelings were changed.

I had certain duties to attend to in regard to my English property, this kept me fairly occupied.

Each few months I ran over to Knockalltrecore, which Dick transformed into a fairyland. The discovery of the limestone had, as I had conjectured, created possibilities in the way of building and of work, which at first we had dreamed. The new house rose on table-rock in the Cliff Fields. A beautiful house it was, of red sands with red tiled roof and quaint gables and jutting windows and balustrades of carved stone. The whole of the house was laid out as exquisite everywhere. None of this I ever saw in Nora's in my letters, as it was to surprise to her.

On the spot where she had resided we had reared a great stone monolith whereon a simple story of the story of her life was sculptured. Round its base from the legend of the King of Seadown to the lost treasure and rescue of myself. This was the last under Dick's eye. The local people the stone was—

A BRAVE WOMAN
ON THIS SPOT
FOR HER COURAGE AND DEVOTION
SAVED A MAN'S LIFE."

At the end of the first year Nora went to another school at Dressed six months; and then, at her request to see Mr. Chapman, was transferred to the English school at Brigid's, which was justly celebrated among Irish women.

These last six months were very long to me; for as the time near which I might claim my diploma the suspense grew very sore, and I began to feel that I might not have survived the separation and the alternate examinations.

I heard regularly from Joyce and he came to live with his son Ed, who was getting along well, and already beginning another well, and himself as a gunner. By his his had had taken a section of the Great Ship Canal, then in progress of construction, and with the aid of his own and his own shrewdness

was beginning to realise that (qu
 to his own fortune. So that the
 purchase-money of Shicaneanah,
 which formed his capital, was used to
 good purpose.
 At last the long period of waiting
 came to an end. A month before
 Norah's school was finished, Joyce went
 to Brighton to see her, having come to
 mind to tell her that the boat and
 mine were to arrange all about the
 wedding, which we wanted to be
 exactly as she wished. She asked her
 whether to let it be as quiet as possible,
 with absolutely no fuss—no publicity,
 and in some quiet place where no one
 knew us.
 "Tell Arthur," she said, "that I
 should like it to be somewhere near
 the coast, and where we can not easily
 get the continent."
 I fixed on Hythe, which I had been
 in the habit of visiting occasionally, as
 the place where we were to be married.
 Here, high over the sea level, rises the
 grand old church where the bones and
 of the old Norman men after a
 thousand years. The place was so near
 to Folkestone, that after the wedding
 and an informal breakfast, we could
 drive over to catch the mid-day boat.
 I lived the requisite time in Hythe, and
 complied with all the formalities.
 I did not see my darling until a meet-
 ing in the evening. Then I gazed on
 her with unstinted admiration. Oh
 what a peerless beauty she was! Every
 natural grace and quality seemed de-
 veloped to the full. Every single grace
 of womanhood was there—every subtle
 manifestation of high breeding—every
 stamp of the highest intellect. There
 was in her the power, for those with
 me delicately remained in the church
 when they saw me go out to meet my
 bride—and I met her with a joy un-
 speakable. Joyce went in and left her
 with me a moment—they had evidently
 arranged to do so—but when we were
 quite alone she said to me with a very
 serious look:
 "Mr. Sovern, before we go into the
 church answer me one question—
 answer me truthfully, I implore you."
 A great fear came upon me that at the
 last I was to suffer the loss of her I
 loved—that at the moment when the
 cup of happiness was at my lips it was
 to be dashed away by a blow with a
 hoarse voice and a beating heart I
 answered:
 "I shall speak truly, Norah! What
 is it?" She said very demurely:
 "Mr. Sovern! are you satisfied with
 me?" I looked up and caught the happy
 smile in her eyes, and for answer took
 her in my arms to kiss her; but she
 said:
 "Not yet, Arthur! not yet! What
 would they say? And besides, it would
 be unlucky." So I released her, and
 she took my arm, and as we came up
 the aisle together, I whispered to
 her:
 "Yes, my darling! Yes! yes! a
 thousand times. The time has been
 long, long; but the days were well
 spent!" She looked at me with a glad
 happy look as she murmured in my
 ear:
 "We shall see Italy soon, dear, to-
 gether. I am so happy!" and she
 pinched my arm.
 The day of the happy wedding, and
 as informal as it was happy. As Norah
 had no bridesmaid, Dick, who was
 to have been my best man, was not going
 to act; but when Norah knew this she
 insisted on it, and said sweetly:
 "I should not feel I was married
 properly unless Dick took part. He
 must be my best man, my bridesmaid
 can't say is, if we had half so good
 friend, she would be here, of
 course."
 This settled the matter, and Dick
 with his usual grace and energy carried
 out the best man's chief duty of taking
 care of his principal's hat.
 There were only two immediate cir-
 cumspect, Joyce and Eugene, Miss Joy-
 who had come all the way from
 Knocknacree, Mr. Chapman, and Mr.
 Caiky—who had also come over from
 Galway specially. There was one old
 friend also present, but I did not
 know it until I came out of the vestry
 after signing the register, with a
 flourish.
 There, standing modestly in the
 background, and with a smile as mag-
 nificent as a ten-acre field, was none
 other than Andy—Andy so well dressed
 as smart that there was really nothing
 to distinguish him from any other man
 in Hythe. Norah saw him first, and
 said:
 "What! there is Andy! How are you
 getting on?" and held out her hand. An-
 dy took it in his great fist, and stooped
 and kissed it as if it had been a saint's hand,
 and not a woman's:
 "God bless and keep ye, Miss Norah,
 darlin'—and the Virgin and the com-
 pany watch over ye both. Then he she
 watched me.
 "Thank you, Andy!" we said be-
 together, and then I beckoned Dick to
 whisper to him:
 We went back to breakfast in
 rooms, and sat down as happy a pair
 as could be—the only one in the place
 comfortable, and first by all means.
 Dick both came in quite hot and
 flushed. Dick pointed to him:
 "He's an obstinate, truculent fellow
 is Andy. Why, I had to almost
 him to make him come in. Now, an-
 no running away—it is Miss Norah
 will!" and Andy subsided into
 into a seat. He is fully so
 minute, before he either smiled
 winked. We had a couple of hours
 pass before it became time to leave
 Folkestone; and when breakfast
 over, one and then another said a
 kindly words. Dick opened the bal-
 speaking most beautifully and
 worthily, and then how honestly
 and warmly, each had won the
 and of the long life and happiness to
 lay, he hoped and believed, before
 Then Joyce spoke a few manly
 words of his love for his daughter and
 pride in her. The tears were in
 eyes when he said that he had seen
 life was that his dear mother had
 took it down from Heaven her ap-
 pearance on this day, instead of shar-
 ing amongst us as the best of mothers
 and best of women. Then Norah
 to him and laid her head on his
 and cried a little—not unhappily,
 happily, as a bride should cry, and
 she showed the loves for one she
 better still.
 Of course both the lawyers spoke,
 Eugene said a few words bashfully
 was about to reply to them all, but
 Andy got up and crystallised the
 situation in a few words:
 "Miss Norah, I am an 'n', I'd
 if I were a man, I would go so bold,
 I would for all the men and women
 Ireland that ather iv yet iv
 across. I often heard iv fairies
 Master Art knock well how he
 was from the top iv Knocknacree
 to top iv Knocknaltore, and at
 say a wurrul about the King iv a
 and he wanted to find—not even in

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INSTANTLY.

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in Winnipeg say, because less vir-
tue each dose than the medicine.

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LAST WEEK'S ITEMS.

Thomas James Berry, 55, a painter, late of Kibworth-street, Dorset-road, Clapham, was found dead in bed.

Elizabeth Whittingham, 22, a married woman, of Ferriell-road, Dalson, committed suicide by swallowing phosphorus paste.

Mrs. Augusta Alley, 72, who was knocked down by a Midland Railway van at the corner of Bolgrave-street, on the 20th inst., died from her injuries.

Det. Ser. Durrant, of the Clerkenwell Police Station, has died from heart disease. He had formerly been a sergeant in the Royal Fusiliers.

Emile Tussier, 35, wife of an accountant, of Anster-road, Cambria-road, Loughborough Junction, was discovered by her husband lying dead on the kitchen floor.

The Queen held a Council at Windsor, at which were present Lord Salisbury, Viscount Cranbrook, Lord Yarnborough, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Justice Cave, and Sir C. Lennor Peel.

Joseph Buchanan, 65, plumber, of Wolveton-street, Kennington Cross, was admitted to St. Thomas's Hospital, having fallen down a flight of steps and broken both bones of his leg.

Frederick Willoughby, 62, a porter, living at How-road, Mile-end, fell down a cellar, the flap of which was accidentally set up, and was admitted to the London Hospital with a broken thigh.

A landlord, named James Ormsby, holding an extensive property near Ballina, county Mayo, committed suicide in the river Moy. He had been suffering from depression of mind for some days.

Charles Rossan, 41, an engine driver, of High-street, Islington, suffering from a fractured leg, caused, it was said, by falling in Eton-road, Plumstead.

The Duchess of Portland, who was accompanied by the Duke, laid the memorial stone of the Girls' Grammar School, at Mansfield. This was the first public function in which her grace has assisted since her illness.

At Ballinacree, four men, including a petty sessions clerk and station master, were committed for trial to the Munster Winter Assizes on the charge of having murdered a labourer named Crowley on the night of the 13th inst.

The case of the steamer Halcyon, which was run down off the coast of Portugal by the steamer Rheubina, when thirteen of her crew and passengers were drowned, was before the Admiralty Court. It was found that both vessels were to blame for the collision.

Robert Caldwell, aged 7, the son of a well-known hosiery manufacturer at Loughborough, Leicestershire, met with his death in a sad manner. He was playing with a hand-cart when the handle struck him on the head, and he expired in a few minutes.

The weekly meeting of the Clerkenwell Board of Guardians, the Very Rev. P. Hill, of Rosebury, stated that a number of destitute men had waited upon him, stating that, in consequence of the failure of the potato crop, their families were starving.

George Spurr, a youth of respectable appearance, was found lying in an insensible condition on Westminster Bridge. He was taken to Westminster Hospital, but was unable to give any account of himself.

Clara Allen, 11, a school-girl, whose parents reside at 57, Anthony-street, St. George's, died in great agony at the London Hospital, where she was admitted in June last suffering from severe burns caused by her clothes catching alight while standing in front of the fire.

The Government have directed the Local Government Board Inspectors in Ireland to procure information as to the state of the crops in the respective districts over which they have control. It is thought that the investigations will principally refer to the potato crop.

John and James Madden, farmers, were returned for trial at the Limerick Assizes, at Doon, on a charge of fratricide. The accused had quarrelled for years with Nicholas Madden, their eldest brother, over the division of their farm. There was a dispute on August 27th, in which the elder brother received such injuries to the head that he never recovered consciousness.

William Ingoll, charged at Guildford with causing wilful damage at Hambledon workhouse, amounting to £27, was committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions. He had been an inmate, climbed on the roof, and pulled off the tiles, which he threw on to the lower roof. He also smashed several panes of glass. His excuse was, that he could not get work himself, he would provide for his family.

Mr. Walter Winans, well known as one of the principal owners of American trotters in this country, was thrown whilst riding, and was severely shaken.

The British steamer Primate ran into the Danish schooner Regina on the 22nd inst., while anchored in Copenhagen Roads. The schooner sank immediately, the captain and the captain's wife and two men being drowned.

The fourth Tonic Reconciliation Conference, which met at Bellinona on the 22nd, under the presidency of Colonel Kuenzi, the Federal Commissioner, has arrived at an agreement on the basis of proportional representation in the Cantonal Grand Council.

Nothing whatever is known in London as to the effect that Dr. Koch's lungs have become affected with tuberculosis. The professor's bodily health is, on the contrary, very good, and he takes riding exercise daily.

Louis Cyr has broken the world's dumb-bell record at Montreal by holding 14 lb. in one hand from the shoulder to arm's length, and then putting the dumb-bell over his head and holding it above the shoulder. The previous record was that of Robinson, at San Francisco, in November, 1875, when he raised 10 lb. 12 times.

The French houses of Messrs. Heine and Cahen at Antwerp have, at the desire of the Bank of England, accepted the invitation to represent French interests in the international committee to inquire into the position of Argentine securities.

James Tucker, foreman lineman of the East River Electric Light Company, while repairing a wire in the station yard of the Second Avenue Elevated Railway, in Sixty-sixth street, New York, fell upon the wires, and lay motionless until discovered and brought down the pole. He still breathed, but died before he reached the hospital.

Hon. A. W. Harvey has returned to St. John's, Newfoundland, from England, where he accompanied Sir William White-way, the Premier, to assist in the negotiations with France respecting the Newfoundland Fisheries Question. He said he expected an interview, Mr. Harvey said he expected an interview, Mr. Harvey said he expected an interview.

As a foreman playster was making his usual inspection of the metals between Rainham and Newington Stations on the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway on the 22nd, he noticed something further investigation led to the discovery that one of the iron girders of the bridge known as Solomon's was cracked through. He proceeded to the nearest signal box and stopped all trains. The fracture was found to be of such a serious character that it is probable had another train gone over the bridge a disaster would have occurred.

THE BRUTAL MURDER OF A SCHOOLMISTRESS.



SCENE OF THE TRAGEDY.

We reported briefly in our edition of the 10th inst. the brutal murder of Miss Elizabeth Ann Holt, a young schoolmistress in the neighbourhood of Bolton. A man named Macdonald, who was arrested on suspicion of being her murderer, and so great is the indignation in the locality that he would have been lynched if the people had been able to get at him. The feeling against him recoils on his relatives, and his aunt, with whom he lived, is being boycotted. She has received no visitors, and has quit the house in which she resided, and has had to leave her employment at a mill. On the 22nd inst. the inquest, which had been formally opened earlier in the week for the purpose of receiving evidence of identification, was resumed before Mr. Butcher, district coroner. The prisoner, Thomas Macdonald, was present during the proceedings, but was not represented by counsel. Mr. J. Hall, who acted on behalf of the Treasury, in the direction of Longworth, Lancashire, where the body of the deceased was found having been produced, Mary Collier stated that on Monday morning, the 10th inst., Miss Holt passed her house in Blackburn-road, Egerton, going in the direction of Longworth, Lancashire. She did not see anything of Macdonald that morning, but the house in which he lived was only about twenty yards distant on the same road. Sarah Alice Holt deposed that her sister was in the habit of leaving her home at 532, Darwen-road, Turton, every Monday morning, to go to Belmont, where she was employed as a schoolmistress. She stayed with the schoolmaster, Mr. Swales, and returned home on Friday morning, November 10th, night. On Monday morning, November 10th, she seemed in good spirits. Witness did not know of any one who bore her sister malice. — Robert Scholes, farmer, of Longworth, said that about eight o'clock on the morning of the 10th inst. he was proceeding along Longworth-lane, he was proceeding along Longworth-lane, he was proceeding along Longworth-lane.

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JUDGE HUGHES ON CO-OPERATIVE WORK.

Judge Hughes (the author of "Tom Brown's School Days") distributed the prizes recently awarded to exhibitors residing in the London district by the National Co-operative Festival Committee on the 22nd at the Essex Hall, Strand. Mr. E. O. Greening, president of the festival, in making the distribution, said that for upwards of forty years he had been a worker in the great social movement of co-operative work. In these forty years its foundations had been dug deep and laid strong—no light or pleasant work when they had to be dug and laid in the tough, and not over clean soil of the competitive world of anarchic society. They were proud of the edifice as it stood to-day, the like of which was not as yet to be found in any nation, though many were treading hard on our heels in the closing years of this epoch-making century, which would be known to the end of time as the century of the making up of the democratic life. It stood in our midst, sheltering upwards of a million households, dispersed all over the kingdom through 1,500 societies, with share capital of £11,000,000, yearly trade of £40,000,000, and profits of nearly £4,000,000, besides large buildings on their own ground in nearly every county in the kingdom, and many a village in the United Kingdom. They were proud of the edifice as it stood to-day, the like of which was not as yet to be found in any nation, though many were treading hard on our heels in the closing years of this epoch-making century, which would be known to the end of time as the century of the making up of the democratic life. It stood in our midst, sheltering upwards of a million households, dispersed all over the kingdom through 1,500 societies, with share capital of £11,000,000, yearly trade of £40,000,000, and profits of nearly £4,000,000, besides large buildings on their own ground in nearly every county in the kingdom, and many a village in the United Kingdom.

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Duty must be done when it is as well as when it is pleasant. The plain duty of the Roman hierarchy is to dissociate themselves from the following of Mr. **THE SESSION.** rapidly and successfully address in reply to the speech, Ministers are now in a press forward, without any legislative business of the A reference to the terms of the

promised measures are. They themselves into classes, those which are determined to carry out efforts that may, and doubtless will be made to obstruct them, and which they will carry if they can, and those of which depends upon the progress of the first class. The measures upon the success of which we have set their hearts, besides the relief of distress in Ireland, are the Irish Land Purchase Bill and the Cattle Bill. Of these the former is the most important and able attempt to settle the all vexed question of the sale of Irish land, which question is the worst of all the troubles that

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to compensate persons injured in employment, for amending the laws of public health, and for increasing the number of friendly societies and savings banks. Free, or, as Lord SALISBURY would call it, "assisted," education is a subject in connection with which much of legislation has been held out; and, whatever one's opinion of the merits of the matter may be, is generally a thing which concerns the State.

With such a useful list of subjects in the background, the Government, we trust, stand firmly to their guns, and push on, no matter what difficulties may have to encounter, the

THE GHOST DANCE.

Ghost dance, in which the Sioux are now engaged, has seldom been led by a white man, but an American describes one of them as seen from a by an enterprising contributor, who had a friendly half-breed to take the spot. The camp in question was situated in a hollow between a belt of hills. Many of the white farmers and freighters, and their families, were corralled in the middle of the reservation. Some of the older braves and squaws, however, resented themselves to be away, had tents apart. The oxen, and poultry were coop'd or tethered outside of the camp. The dance

effluvia raked out the fire, a blaze from them now and then revealed the brave were in full war paint. Warriors formed in rows at the eastern end of the camp, those in front kneeling, the young bucks and squaws standing behind them at the point of the bayonette. For about ten minutes, which perfect silence and abject immobility prevailed. Then the old joined hands and knelt down in the middle of the valley. They began chanting in a hoarse, guttural, and somewhat unmelodious like a dirge, varied by savagely beating yells. The warriors advanced, their hands in a larger circle behind the squaws, they began the ghost dance. The old men, women, and children, chanting a dirge, but less shrilly than the squaws, and the children to the accompaniment of the warriors to arise and dance like the white man. The

burning stick that had apparently been dipped in some kind of pitch. The linked arms of the warriors, and through the circle like a procession of snakes. This was repeated again and again, and said that the dance lasts till daylight, very one concerned in it is more or less dead. That the war paint of the whites is deadly intention to the whites is unsuited but too clear.

The police say Padlewski himself is the man in the picture. He was visited by the police and officers as were made, but with what result is not known. Several newspapers believe that the police are still on the wrong track. The police for Padlewski has now been transferred to London. Several members of the Yard staff who are familiar with the quarters frequented by foreign criminals are both at the East and West London police have been busily engaged in conducting a search for Padlewski through such quarters. Padlewski would be likely to find refuge in the authorities will be better equipped for their search in a day or two, as the chief of the Paris police, has been sent to London with various photographs of Padlewski, which have been obtained from the police in Vienna.

W. H. Smith and Mr. Halfon saw Iowa with the Premier at the Foreign on Thursday.

Swedish steamer Tor has arrived in the from Holmstadt, and landed the crew of a three-masted schooner Amsona, of Stockholm, which had been abandoned at sea. The vessel had experienced stormy weather, and been struck by heavy seas. She leaked, and, although the crew worked hard time at the pumps, they were unable to overcome the leaks, and eventually had to abandon the vessel, which had 77 ft. of water in the hold. They took to the boats, and were picked up by the steamer Tor, which landed them at Shields.

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